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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

January 30, 2002

Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.494 or 37 C.F.R. § 1.495, attached hereto are the following additional items necessary for entering the national phase in connection with the above-identified PCT international application.

☒ Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.

☒ Original ☐ Photocopy

☐ The specification attached to the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney is a true copy of the specification which was filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 30, 2001, including any amendments thereto (if applicable) filed on even date therewith.

☒ The undersigned hereby declares that "Attorney Docket No. 3868-0103P" on page 1 of the attached inventors' Declaration corresponds to Appl. No. 09/980,211 filed November 30, 2001 entitled "SUBSTRATE SECTIONS HAVING INCREASED STORAGE STABILITY DURING THEIR STORAGE IN A BAG PACKAGE, AND PROCESS FOR THEIR MANUFACTURE."

☐ English language specification, claims, and Abstract with () sheets of drawings.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

☐ Attached is a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements (Formalities Letter).

☒ English translation of the International Preliminary Examination Report

☒ No extension fee is required because the undersigned has not yet received the Notification of Missing Requirements (Formalities Letter). However, if for some reason it is determined that an extension of time is necessary, applicant hereby respectfully petitions for an extension of time for the filing of the present paper in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

☐ Applicant(s) hereby respectfully petitions for () month(s) extension of time for the filing of the present paper in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. The required fee of \$0.00 is attached hereto.

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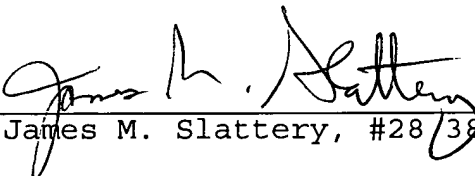
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- ☒ Submitted concurrently herewith **under separate cover** for recording is an Assignment.
- ☐ A Fee of \$0.00 to cover the increase in fees of the filing Surcharge is enclosed.
- ☐ Check(s) in the amount of \$0.00 to cover the above-mentioned fees is/are enclosed.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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